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SUBJECT: RE-ASSESSMENT OF AUSTRALIAN ATTITUDES ON SITING
OF MULTINATIONAL NUCLEAR CENTER

REFERENCES: (A) CANBERRA 4456, (B) STATE 154049

1. USG IS CONTINUING TO EXAMINE IDEA OF MULTINATIONAL
NUCLEAR CENTER (MNC), AND IS PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN
ASSESSING POSSIBILITIES IN EAST ASIA.

2. DEPARTMENT FOUND EMBASSY RESPONSE (REF. A) TO EARLY
QUERY (REF. B) ABOUT SUITABILITY OF AUSTRALIA AS POSSIBLE
SITE FOR MNC MOST USEFUL AND THOROUGH. AS WE DEVELOP OUR
THINKING FURTHER ON THIS SUBJECT, DEPARTMENT WOULD LIKE
EMBASSY TO UPDATE ASSESSMENT TO TAKE ACCOUNT OF NEW
LIBERAL-NATIONAL COUNTRY PARTY GOVERNMENT, ATTITUDES OF
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NEW MINISTER RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS QUESTION (PRESUMABLY

DOUG ANTHONY), THE PROGRESS OF JOINT AUSTRALIAN-JAPANESE STUDY OF URANIUM ENRICHMENT ENTERPRISE FOR AUSTRALIA, AND ANY OTHER NEW FACTORS EMBASSY DEEMS RELEVANT.

3. DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE AS SPEEDY AN EVALUATION AS POSSIBLE, BUT IN RESPONDING TO THIS REQUEST EMBASSY SHOULD REFRAIN FROM RAISING MNC WITH GOA OFFICIALS. KISSINGER

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